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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT  
AND  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (IF REQUIRED)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction in the Office Action dated October 2, 2001, Applicants hereby elect Group 1, namely Claims 1-16 for prosecution at this time. Applicants reserve the right to present the remaining claims in a divisional application at the appropriate time.

Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fee for such extension of time to our Deposit Account No. 19-2746.

Respectfully submitted,

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